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Clayton State Celebrates Fall Commencement

by John Shiffert, University Relations

A celebration. There's no other word for it... Clayton State University celebrated its 10th fall Commencement during its 40th Anniversary on Thursday, Dec. 10, 2009.

Led by Interim President Dr. Thomas J. "Tim" Hynes, Jr., the University's dual ceremonies celebrated the achievements of both the largest group of students to take part in fall Commencement, and the University as a whole.

In addition to representing several milestones in the history of the University, including the first dual speakers for a Clayton State Commencement, the afternoon and evening ceremonies were marked by a positive, upbeat tone primarily set by Hynes, who was presiding at his first Clayton State graduation.

The speaker at the 4 p.m. ceremony was Jerry Wilson, board-elected senior vice

president of the Coca-Cola Company. In addressing graduates of the College of Health, the College of Information and Mathematical Sciences, and the School of Business, Wilson helped set the tone for Commencement, telling the 180 graduates, "You owe society your very best. There are no limits to your ability to make a difference. Do not succumb to the gloomy headlines of 10.2 percent unemployment. Creative relationships will lead us out of the current situation and society needs new thinking and new approaches to the issues. As Gandhi said, 'be the change that you want to see in the world.'"

Wilson also quoted Martin Luther King, "A genuine leader is not a searcher of consensus, but a molder of consensus," and David Thoreau, "Live the life you've imagined," before closing with, "Welcome to the world of possibilities."

The second ceremony, held for the College of Arts & Sciences, included the largest group of graduates ever in a single graduation in the Athletics & Fitness Center – a total of 241. Brenda Hill Cole, judge of the State Court of Fulton County, spoke to this packed house. Quoting from the Book of Galatians on sowing seeds and harvesting same, she noted that, "Generations to come may benefit from what we have done... The world needs you, what kind of harvest will you have?"

Cole specifically noted that there are three "seeds" to "plant" for a successful harvest... dreams, hard work, and service.

"If you never have a dream, you'll never have a dream come true," she said. "Success is to know that one life has breathed easier because you have lived."

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'Tis the Season for Giving

Since this is the season for giving, now is a good time to look back over some of Clayton State University's gifts to its community over the past year...

Dr. Mary Hollowell – An Advocate for Georgia's Children. Dr. Mary Hollowell, an associate professor of Teacher Education at Clayton State University, is an advocate for Georgia citizens who often can't speak for themselves, an advocate against solitary confinement cells in Georgia public schools. Hollowell's book, *The Forgotten Room*, an ethnographic case study of a public alternative school which highlights solitary confinement, was published in 2009. She is also the author of several articles on at-risk youth and a blogger on the Rowman & Littlefield publisher's website.

Clayton State Office of Teacher Education Hosts 14th Annual Aspire to

Teach Conference. On Friday, Mar. 13, the Clayton State University Department of Teacher Education hosted its 14th Annual Aspire to Teach Conference. This year's conference was a record-breaker with a total of 137 high school students and their chaperons from nine local school systems attending. Aspire to Teach is designed to encourage the best and brightest students to enter the field of education. Future Teacher clubs at high schools in the region were invited to the conference.

Clayton State Accounting Club Provides Free Tax Preparation Services. Clayton State University's Accounting Club provided free volunteer tax preparation assistance in February and March. The program, known as Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, provided tax assistance on a first come, first serve basis.

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Clayton State Delegation Visits Mumbai

Three Clayton State University faculty members are currently in Mumbai, India, to promote additional student and faculty exchanges between Clayton State and institutions of the University of Mumbai system, the largest higher education system in India.

John Parkerson, the University's director of International Programs, along with faculty members Dr. Susan Rashid Horn, assistant professor of English and Dr. Augustine Ayuk, assistant professor of Political Science, are visiting Birla College and Chandibai Himathmal Mansukhani College (CHM), both part of the University of Mumbai system, and organizations with which Clayton State already has partnerships.

Parkerson is discussing study abroad opportunities, joint research projects and faculty exchanges. He will also be visiting two additional colleges in the

University of Mumbai system. Rashid Horn and Ayuk will both deliver guest lectures at the two colleges over the next two weeks.

"The purpose of my meetings are to explore how we might expand the already-existing relationships with Birla and CHM, consistent with one of the most important goals of Clayton State's Office of International Programs – to work with foreign universities towards implementation of study abroad, faculty development, student and faculty exchange, and collaborative research opportunities; and to identify and to cultivate promising new relationships with appropriate foreign universities covering the broad range of international activities where they appear mutually relevant to Clayton State's and the foreign institutions' curriculum and student and faculty needs," says Parkerson.

Currently, Clayton State and the two Indian colleges have annual, two-week

faculty exchanges. In March 2010, professors from the two Indian colleges will visit Clayton State as guest lecturers.

"Clayton State is fortunate to have excellent relationships with these two very highly regarded Indian institutions; and I will be discussing with Birla and CHM officials how those existing relationships can be expanded to accommodate greater numbers of faculty who desire to experience the kind of comparative educational development opportunity that teaching abroad fosters, as well as to explore student exchange opportunities and collaborative research projects," adds Parkerson. "Clayton State and its University of Mumbai partners also want to add reciprocal student educational experiences in Atlanta and Mumbai respectively." ■

Legislation Introduced to Protect Children from Misuse of Seclusion

Hollowell Publishes "The Forgotten Room"

by Erin Fender, University Relations



Dr. Mary Hollowell, an associate professor of Teacher Education at Clayton State University, recently published *The Forgotten Room*, a book covering ethnographic case study of a

public alternative school which highlights solitary confinement.

"I've tried to write the kind of education book that I've always liked to read – a chronology of a school year from start to finish that sucks you in, sweeps you along, and spits you out," explains Hollowell. "The Forgotten Room is a unique and somber story of students on parole, and it reveals what happens to

them and their hardworking teachers when they are put in crumbling school buildings and overcrowded conditions. It's dark and gritty. I saw students threaten and assault teachers. We had lockdowns, SWAT team visits, gang fighting, drug dealing, and students on rampages, but we also had oases of peace in the classrooms of exemplary teachers."

During her study of this school she discovered the "forgotten room" used for solitary confinement. She noted and photographed the graffiti written in blood covering the walls of this room.

"I have been an advocate against 'school seclusion,' as it is called, ever since.

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New from Lexington Books

The Forgotten Room

Inside a Public Alternative School for At-Risk Youth



Mary Hollowell

foreword by Ashley Bryan

"an almost day-by-day riveting account"
- Constance Curry, author of *Silver Rights*



www.lexingtonbooks.com

Excitement Grows About Masters of Archival Studies Program... Just Ask Monica Randolph

by John Shiffert, University Relations

Monica Randolph is psyched about starting in Clayton State University's new Masters of Archival Studies (MAS) program this spring.

"I'm really excited about it," says the Johns Creek, Ga., resident. "My perspective is that of an enrollee entering the program with an eye towards starting a new career."

A 1986 graduate of the University of Missouri - Kansas City, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, Randolph is in many ways typical of the type of students who tend to be attracted to all of Clayton State's graduate programs... non-traditional students who need to earn an advanced degree to better compete in the job marketplace.

"For the past couple of years I have been contemplating how best to re-enter the workforce after several years of concentrating on raising my family," she says.

"While I have developed experience in many areas through years of volunteering, I feel that I need the added credentials of current, cutting-edge training in a field that I find exciting in order to be a viable contender in today's workplace.

"I am an avid reader of the AJC, and I happened to see the article announcing Clayton State's receipt of a grant from the U.S. Department of Education to start the MAS program."

One reason Randolph was attracted to the MAS was an interest in process... as well as history.

"I enjoy process, and I enjoy projects," she says. "Couple that with my love of history and you come up with archivist, as opposed to public historian or even librarian."

The MAS, which is housed in Clayton State's College of Information and

Mathematical Sciences, is designed to prepare archivists of the 21st Century by emphasizing the influence of technology in the creation, preservation and access to a broad range of information. This blend of traditional knowledge, technology, and experiential learning makes Clayton State's MAS program distinctive in Georgia and the southeast in its breadth and contemporary approach.

The MAS curriculum was designed to align with the guidelines established by the Society of American Archivists (SAA). Students will complete 18 semester hours of core archival knowledge as well as 18 hours of interdisciplinary coursework in information technology, conservation, research, historical methods and other disciplines. In addition, students will participate in nine semester hours in research methods and internships, or thesis.

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Welcome Back Week for Students Scheduled, January 11-14, 2010

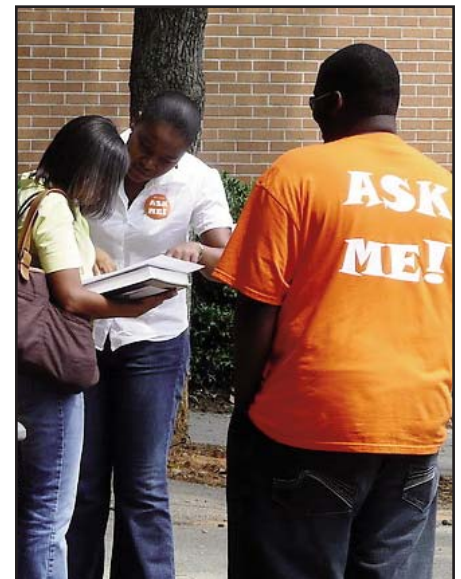
Even though it isn't Christmas yet, the Clayton State University Department of Campus Life is ready for the new year. Specifically, Campus Life has the schedule for its traditional "Welcome Back Week" for students in place.

Welcome Back Week will start with the first day of spring semester classes, Monday, Jan. 11, when Campus Life and the Clayton State Customer Service Team will hold another Clayton State tradition, the Ask Me! program. The winner of the bronze medal by the University System of Georgia in the Improvement Initiative category of the 2009 Chancellor Customer Service Awards, Ask Me! volunteers in bright orange T-Shirts will welcome new and returning students back to campus, assist with campus navigation, and distribute information about upcoming events. Ask Me! will run from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Jan. 11 and Jan. 12.

Also on Tuesday, Jan. 12, the Campus Events Council will be making free Las Vegas Name Tags from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Main Street in 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

The Las Vegas theme will carry on to Wednesday, Jan. 13 with a fun-filled night in Las Vegas in the Student Activity Center ballroom. It'll be a night of games, prizes and refreshments from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

On Thursday, Jan. 14, Campus Life will hold its Student Involvement Fair. A chance for students to meet and learn more about on-campus departments and Clayton State's diverse community of student organizations, the Student Involvement Fair will run from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Student Activity Center ballroom. ■



Ask Me!, a campus tradition, helps welcome new and returning students at the start of each new semester. Above, Ask Me! volunteers assist a student during the beginning of the fall 2008 semester.

Angel Tree Volunteers Dig Deep



Just over a week before Christmas; faculty, staff and students from Clayton State University's College of Information Technology and Mathematical Sciences (CIMS) and College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) found out that 200 children were going to go unsponsored in this year's Salvation Army Angel Tree program.

"Everyone dug deep in their pockets to buy an additional 100 toys so that these children would receive something for Christmas," says Mary Hudachek-Buswell, lecturer of Computer Science and Mathematics in CIMS. "This is our 10-year anniversary of participating with the Angel Tree program. Each year we feel like we can help more, and we were glad to take on more this year."

And they did, raising more in funds and gifts in 2009 than in any of the previous nine years that these two Clayton State colleges have participated in Angel Tree.

"So even during this recession, Clayton State gave to those in more need than we are," adds Hudachek-Buswell. "The Salvation Army officers in Jonesboro were close to tears when we showed up with two cars filled to roof with toys yesterday."

Pictures of Clayton State students sorting the Angel tree gifts can be found on Facebook at; <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?v=photos&gid=41758376990>. ■

Clayton State's Paper Recycling Program

Clayton State University, in its commitment to make a positive impact towards the environment, has been further promoting its already-established campus-wide Paper Recycling Program.

Universities are inundated with catalogs, magazines, newspapers and letters from commercial mailers every day. Many of these mailings are of no relevance or are for people who no longer work at the University. So... from Aug. 1, 2009 to Oct. 31, 2009, Clayton State recycled 4.14 tons of mixed recyclable material which made a positive impact on the global environment. Currently the University has 100 percent participation including the residence hall.

Conducted through the services of American Recycling/Waste Pro Company, this is a once-a-week (Wednesday), campus-wide recycled paper service is responsible for picking up and emptying recycling bins at each building on campus.

Each department on campus designates an individual to:

- 1) Ensure that each desk, network printer, and copier has an individual cardboard recycle bin.
- 2) Encourage all employees to empty their individual paper recycling container, at their convenience when their container is full, into the larger recycling bins.
- 3) Ensure that the large rolling recycling bins are placed in the appropriate area each week for emptying.
- 4) Encourage and promote the paper recycling program.

In addition, each building on campus has a recycling coordinator.

Items being recycled include: white copier paper, colored paper, glossy paper (magazines), envelopes, including envelopes with plastic windows. Options regarding plastic and aluminum recycling are being explored in hopes to have a program in place next semester.

For additional information, contact Cindy Knight at (678) 466-4250. ■



Kawanda Taylor Recognized as 2009 Volunteer of the Year by AID Atlanta

by Ciji Fox, University Relations

Clayton State University Health Care Management graduate (August 2009) Kawanda Taylor was recently recognized as the 2009 Volunteer of the Year for AID Atlanta.

“It means a lot to me to become 2009 Volunteer of the Year for the AIDS WALK,” Taylor says. “As I volunteered throughout the weeks, I began to enjoy my duties as volunteer more and more. Also, I became part of a family because of the warmth and generosity of the volunteers and staff at AID Atlanta. I learn more by giving my time for a great cause which makes me want to advocate the importance of prevention and education of AIDS/HIV. That itself is the beauty of volunteer because you learn the importance of giving back to community.”

Taylor became involved with AID Atlanta with a course titled AIDS Epidemic at Clayton State University in the summer of 2008.

“I had to go to a workshop, AIDS 101, as part of the curriculum for the AIDS Epidemic course,” Taylor says. “AID Atlanta was a sponsor for this workshop. It was an awesome experience because of the brutal honesty about AIDS/HIV and the importance of teaching prevention and education to HIV/AIDS. It sparked my interest in volunteering and to learn more about public health.



“During this past summer, I did phone banking concerning the upcoming 2009 AIDS WALK to remind previous walkers and runners about the event. I did a lot of administrative/clerical work for the event by updating walkers’ and runners’ information. I worked in the mailroom to send out postcards to remind everybody about the event, and I was also part of the Kickoff party for the 2009 AIDS WALK event by being a parking attendant. On the day of the event, I was a T-shirt and ticket girl who gave these items to volunteers for the event.”

Taylor adds that the most rewarding part about receiving this honor was seeing Clayton State Assistant Professor of

Health Care Management Deborah Gritzmacher, who is also a board member of AID Atlanta, in the audience and cheering for her when she received the honor.

“Ever since I have been in the Health Care Management program she has been my champion,” says Taylor of Gritzmacher. “It is a great honor to do something that I really enjoy and love and to receive recognition from people who would not know my name, but who saw me every week as a volunteer. This is truly a blessing to think about others. That is the way it’s supposed to be.” ■

Hollowell, cont’d. from p. 2

Seclusion rooms are allowed in Georgia public schools provided they are big enough for children to lie down, have good visibility, and have locks that spring open in case of an emergency such as a fire. The small, dark solitary confinement cells that I have seen, though, are double-bolted on the outside and do not meet these criteria,” Hollowell expresses. “This week I learned that U.S. Reps. George

Miller (D-CA) and Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA) will introduce new legislation to protect all children in schools from misuse of restraint and seclusion. If my book *The Forgotten Room* can play any part in the process, I will be satisfied.”

For her book Hollowell used her own black and white images to accompany the

text. Each chapter opens with a provocative photo of the deteriorating facility or neighborhood. Her work is featured as the cover image as well.

The 2009 Laura Ingalls Wilder Award winner from the American Library Association for lifetime contributions to children’s literature, Ashley Bryan, wrote the foreword for Hollowell’s book. ■

Across the Campus...

African American Studies

English major Cynthia McKinney has graduated as the University's first African American Studies Minor. "Cynthia and I met in our first academic year, 2005-2006, here at Clayton State University," says Dr. LaJuan Simpson, associate professor of English. "She immediately showed great potential, and she did not disappoint me. I've seen her accomplish her goal here, and I am extremely proud of her accomplishment. She has grown as a scholar in English and African American Studies."

Graduate Studies

The Clayton State University School of Graduate Studies will celebrate the new year on Tuesday, Jan. 12 by holding its first informational open house of 2010. The open house will run from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in room 101 of the University's Harry S. Downs Center on the main campus in Morrow. The Graduate Studies open houses are now providing information on the new Master of Archival Studies program. In addition, prospective graduate students will have a chance to learn more about the Master of Arts in

Liberal Studies, Master of Arts in Teaching English, Master of Arts in Teaching Mathematics, Master of Business Administration, Master of Health Administration, and Master of Science in Nursing. The Clayton State School of Graduate Studies holds open houses on the second Tuesday evening of each month.

International Programs

Space remains for this summer 2010's USG European Council Faculty Development Seminar in London and Paris. The application deadline has been extended to Friday, Jan. 8, 2010. There are a total of 12, \$800 grants available. Several grants remain to those who submit their signed hard copies and \$200 application fees (payable by check made out to Valdosta State University). Interested faculty are encouraged to apply as soon as possible in order to receive that funding. Faculty should also submit electronic copies of their applications to the following e-mail address wsstrickler@valdosta.edu in addition to the mailed hard copies and application fee

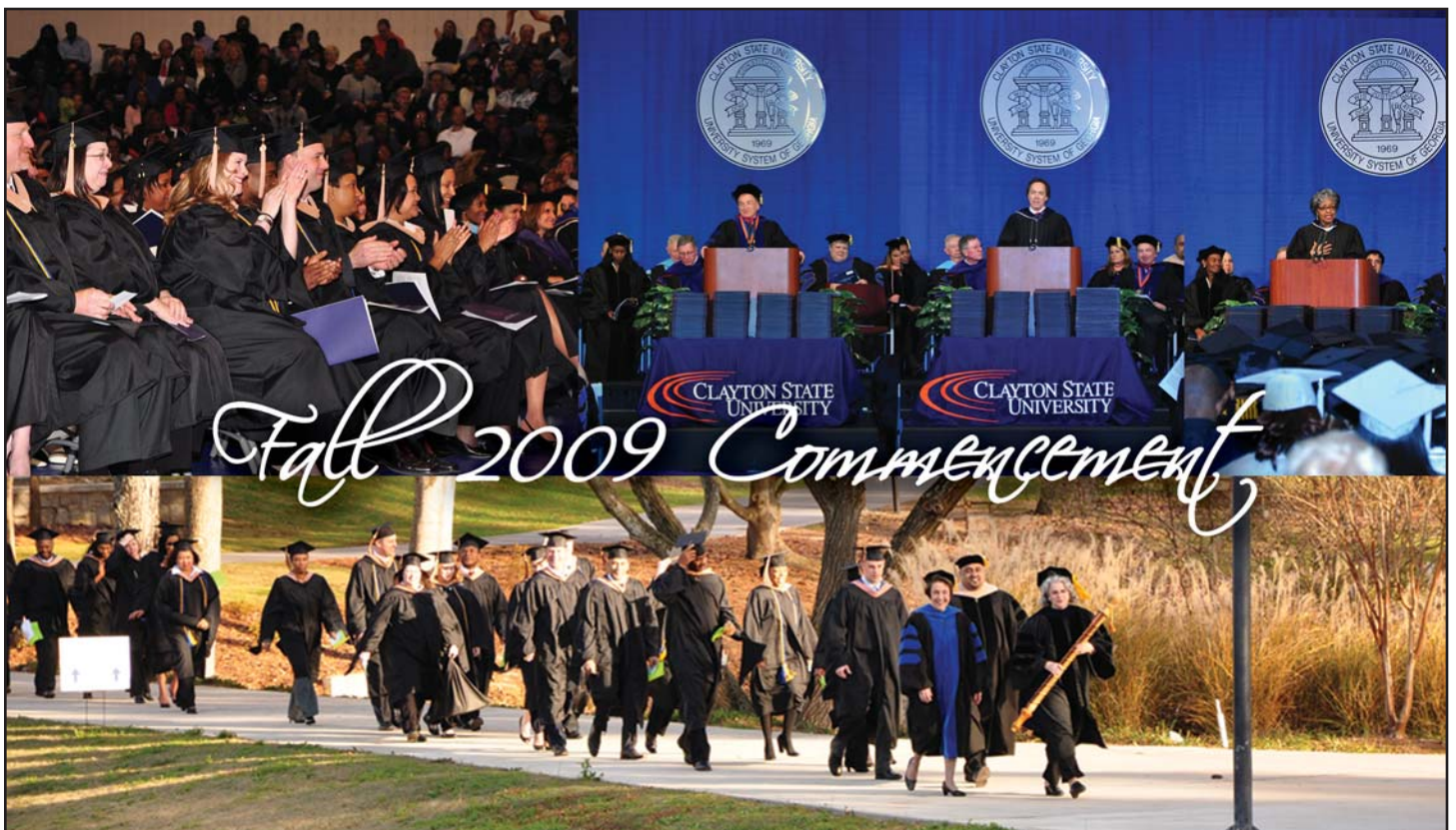
check. Applications and Seminar descriptions can be found on the European Council Website at the following link: http://www.valdosta.edu/europeancouncil/joom/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=43&Itemid=127.

Teacher Education

Author ("The Forgotten Room") and Clayton State Associate Professor of Teacher Education Dr. Mary Hollowell will be featured in Maureen Downey's story on school seclusion and legislation in the Dec. 28 edition of the Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

University System

A new issue of The University System of Georgia's "The System Supplement" is now available at http://www.usg.edu/news/publications/category/system_supplement_a_report_of_the_georgia_board_of_regents/.



Sixteen Year Old Stockbridge Organist Featured at Spivey Hall

Some of the world's most famous musicians have performed on the stage at Clayton State University's Spivey Hall. On Sunday, Dec. 13, 16-year-old Bryan Anderson of Stockbridge, Ga., joined that select company when he accompanied his fellow members of the Spivey Hall Children's Choir and Tour Choir on the organ.

Welcoming Christmas with the singers of the Spivey Hall Children's Choir Program performing their mid-year concerts is one of Spivey Hall's most cherished traditions. This year, there was a new note for the tradition as one of the Children's Choir played the Hall's Albert Schweitzer Memorial Organ. In addition to being a member of the elite Spivey Hall Tour Choir, Anderson, a senior at New Creation Christian Academy, is one of the nation's most accomplished young keyboardists.

Anderson began piano lessons at age four with his father as teacher. At age six, he

was accepted into the studio of Dr. Jeannine Morrison, Clayton State Professor Emerita of Music, with whom he currently studies. Since that time, Anderson has consistently been awarded top prizes in statewide piano competitions, and was recently recorded performing on NPR's From the Top, which will be aired in Atlanta the day before his Spivey Hall performance, Saturday, Dec. 12, at 5 p.m., on WABE, 90.1 FM. From the Top is an acclaimed program that features outstanding young American talent from around the country, and is hosted by pianist Christopher O'Riley, who has also performed several times as a Spivey Hall guest artist.

Anderson began formal organ lessons at age 12 with Sarah Martin. This year alone he has won first place, as well as the hymn-playing prize, at two national pipe organ competitions for high school students, including the Albert Schweitzer Competition in Connecticut.

He has studied for the past three summers with Alan Morrison at the intensive Kimmel Center Pipe Organ Camp in Philadelphia. For the past two summers, Anderson has worked with Peter Conte and performed in recital as part of the Wanamaker Symphonic Organ Camp.

Now in his senior year at New Creation Christian, he is a National Merit semifinalist, a Duke University Talent Identification Program scholar, and a member of the National Honor Society. He was also one of the three organists who played for Joyce Jones' Spivey Hall organ master class on Friday, Dec. 4. ■



Clayton State Confers 37 Master's Degrees

As part of the fall 2009 Commencement ceremonies, Clayton State University conferred a total of 37 master's degrees to individuals who had earned MBA, MALS, MHA and MSN degrees.

Although the majority of the masters graduates were MBA students (31 out of the 37), there were some notable accomplishments in the other four programs as well.

Earning Clayton State's first Master of Science in Nursing degrees were former Alumni Association President Dina Swearngin and Nancy Capponi. The first Master of Health Administration degrees went to Tashua Grizzle and Barbara Askew.

Finally, The Division of External Relations is proud to salute Director of Development Reda Rowell, who somehow found the time to earn her MALS while riding herd on the Clayton State University Foundation. Also earning the MALS was one of the University's more distinguished and honoree literary figures, Anna King.

The entire list of masters degree recipients is as follows;

MBA

Adam Antell
T'leen Campbell
Shanan Coney
Edward Connally
Myesha Cottom
Andy Dakshina
Pamela Davis
Randy Davis
Eva Durham
Sherrie Eoff
Jon Geldbach
Peggy Golden
Danielle Hodge
Monika Klingler
Devin Lawson
Christopher Madura
Celest Mapri
Shawn Mechelke
Michelle Melton
Tomika Moore
Ana Morgan
Sherlene Nelson
Heather Nemeth
Rishwai Patel
Arnold Powell

Ebone Richardson
Joshua Rochester
John Sitler
Jaigaye Spivey
Shelia Watson
James Winton

MALS

Anna King
Reda Rowell

MHA

Tashua Grizzle
Barbara Askew

MSN

Nancy Capponi
Dina Swearngin

Congratulations to our graduate degree program recipients! To learn more about the graduate degree programs offered at Clayton State University visit our graduate website: <http://graduate.clayton.edu/>.

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Cole also quoted King... "Everyone can be great, because everyone can serve."

Wilson's and Cole's emphasis on greatness and success fit in well with Hynes' message to the graduates. Establishing a "new practice" for Clayton State graduations, Hynes followed both speakers by sharing with the audience, "some of the wonderful achievements of the faculty, staff and students of Clayton State University." These included; a record enrollment, new academic programs, collaboration with local school systems, the many accomplishments of Spivey Hall, the School of Business' Supply Chain Management programs helping attract NCR to relocate to Georgia, the founding of new honors societies on campus, four

new books published by faculty members, growing international partnerships, and the nationally-ranked men's and women's basketball teams.

"Together, we are poised for greatness. The name of Clayton State University and the name on your diploma are linked together," he told the graduates. "As the stature, recognition and accomplishments of the University increase over time, so does the value of your diploma.

"As the honor and greatness of Clayton State increases, so to does your honor and greatness."

Hynes also encouraged the graduates and the audience to celebrate that greatness,

encouraging both full houses to cheer for their graduates after the degree conferrals, specially noting those graduates who were HOPE scholarship students, first generation college graduates and members of various honors societies. Hynes then asked the graduates to applaud for, in order, their parents, spouses, grandparents, children, brothers and sisters.

Besides celebrating the University's 40th Anniversary, the 2009 fall commencement also marked the 10th Anniversary of Clayton State's first fall graduation ceremony, held on Dec. 11, 1999, with then-Interim President Michael F. Vollmer presiding. ■

Giving, cont'd. from p. 1

Academy of Ancient Music to Open Spivey Hall 2009 Spring Bach Festival.

Clayton State University's world-famous Spivey Hall opened its 2009 Spring Bach Festival on Sunday, Mar. 29, with the complete Brandenburg Concertos, BWV 1046 – 1051, performed by London's top-notch 22-member period-instrument ensemble, the Academy of Ancient Music, under the direction of harpsichordist Richard Egarr.

Clayton State Opera Presents "Noye's Fludde."

This year's Clayton State Opera performance was "Noye's Fludde," a late 16th century mystery play from the Chester Mystery Cycle that was set to music by Benjamin Britten in 1957. Taking part in the Biblical story of Noah's Ark, in addition to seven Clayton State undergraduate students, will be 45 students from Jonesboro's J.W. Arnold Elementary School, select students from the choral program at Lovejoy High School, the Rex Mill Middle School Young Strings, the and Union Grove High School Hand Bell Players.

Clayton State School of Nursing's Second Cultural Diversity Conference.

Clayton State University's School of Nursing held its second annual "Cultural Diversity Conference" on Friday, Apr. 3. The objectives of the conference were: to gain a better understanding of how classrooms "back home" differ from those in Georgia Universities; to identify key

research based findings and constructs related to teaching in a linguistically and culturally diverse environment; to explore strategies that make instruction more accessible and comprehensible for English Language learners.

Clayton State Students Tutor at Morrow and Jonesboro High Schools.

A total of 25 Clayton State University students will be serving as tutors at Morrow and Jonesboro High Schools this coming academic year. The Clayton State Department of Campus Life is the recipient of an AmeriCorps grant award that will provide students the opportunity to participate in this new initiative in the fall.

Red Cross Blood Drive at Clayton State.

The Clayton State Honors Students Association and the Clayton State Athletic Department hosted the University's fall Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, Aug. 31 in the lobby of the Athletics and Fitness Center.

Clayton State's Annual Flu Shot Campaign Includes H1N1 Vaccine.

Clayton State University's Office of University Health Services provided seasonal and H1N1 flu shots to the public from late August to early December, 2009.

Clayton State Department of Campus Life's Diversity and Multicultural Conference.

The Clayton State University Department of Campus Life

sponsored its first Diversity and Multicultural Conference for students, faculty, staff and the public on Friday, Oct. 16, addressing the topics of cultural differences, bias behaviors and attitudes, privilege, power, race, social and world issues.

Clayton State Theatre Performs Greek Comedy.

Clayton State Theatre performed its first Greek comedy, Aristophanes' "The Ecclesiazusae," as the fall 2009 semester's production. More commonly referred to as "Women in Power," "The Ecclesiazusae" follows the narrative that absolute power corrupts absolutely when a group of women take over politics in ancient Greece.

Clayton State University Students Write for Henry County Non Profits.

Clayton State University students in Dr. Susan Rashid Horn's Writing for Non-profits course worked hard to assist A Friend's House in McDonough, Ga., and Hands of Hope in Stockbridge, Ga. Two groups of students worked with A Friend's House Director by creating the organization's first annual report and researching nearly a dozen grant opportunities as well as providing the verbiage for potential grant proposals. Students also assisted the Hands of Hope... one group created a flyer, a brochure and a best practices manual while the other group created an on-line training program for the Hands of Hope volunteers. ■

MAS, cont'd. from p. 3

More than strictly a degree for future archivists – a field that, by the way, has become very technologically-oriented -- the MAS is an excellent masters-level program for adding skills in many fields.

"For the undergrad wishing to continue their education through to the Masters level, the MAS program can add tangible skills to almost any degree field," says Randolph. "The medical community, government institutions, scientific programs, universities, museums, all these have one common denominator; they need people trained to organize and store information. Add an MAS degree to an undergrad discipline and you become a very competitive, multi-faceted player in the job market."

Another asset to an MAS degree, notes Randolph, is that it provides individuals with a chance to take their career "one step further" with their current employers.

"As organizations world-wide formulate plans to store, organize and manage their data, they will need individuals trained in archival and digitization processes," she explains. "Who better than someone who's already in the company?"

Although Randolph isn't in a company at present, she has high aspirations.

"I want to work for a company or institution where I can become well-versed in both its past and present and then partici-

pate in the preservation of its history and its current data information, making that information accessible so that its value is maximized," she says. "We all want information at the touch of a button nowadays. Getting everything to that state is going to be a monumental task for a lot of years."

For more information, please visit the MAS website at <http://cims.clayton.edu/mas> or contact Dr. Jeff Chastine of the College of Information and Mathematical Sciences at JeffChastine@clayton.edu. ■

Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!

This Week's Featured Jobs

There are many jobs available in the Metro-Atlanta area. Once you have logged on to the SWAN PORTAL click on the Career Icon, then choose the Jobs and Internships tab to view Laker CareerZone and NACELink Networking positions.

Click Here for a Guide to Laker CareerZone

State Farm Insurance

Office Associate
Morrow, GA
Internship/Co-op

Lefkowitz Career Center

Sales
Nationwide, US
Part Time

First Investors Corporation

Financial Services Representative
Atlanta, GA
Full Time

Color Imaging, Inc.

Chemist Norcross, GA
Full Time
ALPLA Accounting Internship
McDonough, GA Internship/Co-op

Insurance Auto Auctions

Auction Computer Clerk
Lake City, GA
Part Time

Ina Media

Marketing Representative
Nationwide, US
Full Time, Part Time, Internship/Co-op

FCA Healthcare

Graphic Design & Multimedia Marketing Intern
Sales & Marketing Administration Intern
Douglasville, GA Internship/Co-op

AT&T

Business Sales Leadership Development Program
Leadership Development Programs
Retail Sales Leadership Program
Nationwide, US Full Time

Internship News

2010 Summer Internship Program at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

The City of Atlanta's Department of Aviation is pleased to announce its 2010 Summer Internship Program at HJIA.

The program offers students work experience that will bridge the gap between classrooms and careers.

Students work 40 hours per week for 10 weeks on projects designed by individual divisions of the Department.

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Second Half Rally Comes Up Short Against Shaw

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

Aiming to snap a two-game losing skid, the Clayton State Laker men's basketball hoped to get back on the winning track on Friday at home against Shaw.

But the visiting Bears made some clutch baskets down the stretch and held off a Laker rally to defeat Clayton State 68-64 at the Athletics and Fitness Center. Clayton State drops to an even 4-4 with the defeat, while Shaw improves to 5-2 overall.

In the first half the Lakers limited Shaw to 38 percent shooting from the field, including 25 percent from 3-point range, and out-rebounded the Bears 21-17. However,

the Lakers shot only 33 percent from the field, including only 25 percent from beyond the arch.

At one point in the opening half, Clayton State was 4-for-19 from the field. Meanwhile, Shaw built a 24-17 lead on 3-point baskets by Darryl Johnson and Raheem Smith. Clayton State, however, answered on a 3-point basket by Jonathan Austin, and a dunk by Torrin Greene with seven seconds remaining trimmed the Bear lead to 26-23 at halftime.

Shaw shot 58 percent from the field and 50 percent from 3-point range in the second half, six times building a double-digit

lead. Rodney Calwood gave the Bears their largest lead of the game 51-39 on a turnaround lay-up with 8:27 remaining, and a free throw by Michael Smith staked Shaw to a 61-50 lead with 2:34 remaining.

That's when Clayton State answered. The Lakers stormed back with a 7-0 to cut the lead to four points as Timmy Downs drained a 3-point basket, and then a 3-point play on a driving lay-up by Robert Murry got the Lakers to within three, 63-60 with 25 seconds remaining.

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Woodard Single-Game Assist Mark

Clayton State Women Rebound Successfully with 101-54 Rout at Augusta State

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

It didn't take long for the Clayton State Laker basketball team to recover from last Saturday's disappointing home defeat against Carson-Newman.

Returning to Peach Belt Conference play on Tuesday, Clayton State turned on the afterburners and rolled to an impressive 101-54 rout at rival Augusta State. The victory improves the 15th-ranked Lakers to 5-1 overall and 2-0 in the Peach Belt Conference.

"Whenever you lose like we did, you learn a lot about yourself as a team," says Clayton State head coach Dennis Cox. "We had to go back to the beginning and re-focus on the details. Tonight, we were a hungry team and played hard for the entire 40 minutes like the game was on the line."

This marked third time in program history that Clayton State has eclipsed 100 points in a game, and

it's the second-most points scored in a game by a Laker squad. In addition, Clayton State also set single-game marks for field goals with 45 and points in a half with 58. Individually, sophomore forward Tanisha Woodard tied the single-game mark for assists with 11.

Teshymia Tillman paced Clayton State with 21 points, while LaDe'Sha Stoudemire and Latonda Bruce each scored 18 points. Stoudemire also recorded a double-double with 12 rebounds, while junior forward Breanna Fort also grabbed 12 rebounds. In addition to her record-tying 11 assists, Woodard also had seven rebounds and seven steals.

"We had to get our swagger back and we did," Cox said. "I cannot say enough about Tanisha. She has turned into our leader. She's more a vocal player and we are really feeding off her. She pushed us all game." ■

Clayton State will aim to break this skid on Monday night at home against Southern Polytechnic State – the Lakers' final game before the holiday break. ■

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But Michael Smith connected on 7-for-8 from the free throw line down the stretch for the Bears, including two with eight seconds remaining to put the icing on the cake.

Murry paced Clayton State with 20 points, while Downs scored eight points with seven assists. Center Armon Jones added seven points and eight rebounds. For Shaw, Raheem Smith scored 21 points, followed by Michael Smith with 18 points on 11-for-12 from the free throw line. Rodney Calwood added 12 points for the Bears.

Trivia Time

The Jitterbug And Margaret Hamilton

by John Shiffert, University Relations

It's still the best adult/kids movie ever made, even after 70 years. The Wizard of Oz.

And there are a lot of reasons why, one of which is the bravura performance of Margaret Hamilton as the Wicked Witch of the West (who, as you all know, was NOT named Elphaba in the movie.)

But what was the Witch talking about when she told the leader of the Winged Monkeys that they wouldn't have any trouble with Dorothy, et al, because she'd sent an insect ahead to take the fight out of them? There weren't any insects in the movie. Maybe a bunch of (Singer) midgets and monkeys, but no insects.

It took another pretty good thespian, former Clayton State Psychology Professor B.D. Stillion, to come up with the first correct answer. She pointed out that Hamilton was talking about a scene that was cut out of the final version of the movie, wherein the witch sent a swarm of "The Jitterbugs" to attack Dorothy, et al, and make them dance until they were worn out and thus had no energy to oppose the flying monkeys. And what was the most popular dance at the time of the movie... you got it. Maybe it's just as well that one ended up on the cutting room floor (even if the reference was accidentally left in.)

Cassandra Norsworthy was second, and she picks up three bonus points for noting that, in the book, the witch actually sent a swarm of bees after Dorothy. Of course, when L. Frank Baum wrote the book at the turn of the century, there was no Jitterbug dance.

Third was student Lance Mealer, followed by Lou Brackett and Kurt-Alexander Zeller.

For the very last trivia question of 2009, we'll stay in the land of Oz. Why were the good people of the state of Kansas not happy with "The Wizard of Oz," or the aforementioned Mr. Baum? Fly your answers to johnshiffert@clayton.edu. ■

Sports

Woodard Paces 15th-Ranked Clayton State to Overtime Triumph

by Lee Wright, Sports Information

For the first time this season, the Clayton State Laker women's basketball went into overtime in its OrthoCarolina Classic showdown against Tusculum on Saturday. The Lakers got a second straight double-double from sophomore forward Tanisha Woodard and finished the game strong with an 87-79 triumph at Wingate's Cuddy Arena.

Woodard scored 10 points with 12 rebounds and also had five assists and four steals in garnering All-Tournament honors. With its come-from-behind victory over host Wingate on Friday, the Lakers swept their two games in the OrthoCarolina Classic. 15th-ranked Clayton State has now won three straight to improve to 7-1 overall heading into the holiday break.

"We persevered," said Clayton State head coach Dennis Cox. "We didn't shoot the ball well at all, but we fought hard the whole way. It was a real good game, and a fantastic tournament. I can't think of a better one we've played in during the regular season.

"It had that region tournament feel to it."

The contest was back-and-forth, consisting of 14 ties and 16 lead-changes throughout. But Tusculum got hot midway through the second half and built an eight-point lead. A 3-point basket by Jasmine Gunn gave the Pioneers a 63-55 lead with nine minutes remaining.

However, Clayton State responded with a 9-1 run over the next four minutes. Latonda Bruce's jump shot at the 5:44 mark gave the Lakers a 66-64 lead. Two more ties and lead changes followed before Tusculum took a 73-72 lead on two free throws by Staci Hicks with 2:08 mark.

However, Woodard was fouled on a defensive rebound with 33 seconds remaining. She converted 1-for-2 from the free throw line to tie the game, and Tusculum's Kat Spears missed a potential game-winning lay-up with two seconds remaining to send the game into overtime.

In the extra session, Tusculum held a two-point lead when the Lakers put down the defensive clamps. Clayton State finished the game on a 12-0 run over the final 2:36 of the overtime as Breanna Fort and Teshymia Tillman each scored five points during the rally.

"We went with a junk defense, really mixing it up, and that really kept them (Tusculum) off-balanced down the stretch," Cox said. "This weekend, we learned to win, and we learned how to fight through adversity in both games."

In addition to Woodard, Tillman paced the Lakers with 20 points as five Lakers reached double-figures. Fort scored 15 points with nine rebounds, while LaDe'Sha Stoudemire scored 14 points and Bruce added 10 points.

Clayton State will return from the holiday break to host to Heritage Bank Holiday Classic on Dec. 29-30 at the Athletics and Fitness Center. ■



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